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Service of Song, Friday evening, 7:30.
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WRANGELL, ALASKA

OUR WEEKLY PEER AMID

Items of Interest Gathered From
Here and There

School adjourns tonight until the Monday after New Years.

A new ad. of the Cassiar Saloon appears on page 4 of this issue.

The revenue cutter Perry called at this port twice during the week.

Bring your job printing to this office. Best work and reasonable prices.

Sam Cunningham, Peter Jensen, Hans Nelson and Geo. Snyder hunted deer on Zarembo Island one day this week, but only captured one.

Mrs. P. C. McCormack has been quite ill for some days past, as has also Mrs. Claybell.

Rev David Wagner came over from Klawak in his power boat, Monday, returning Tuesday.

Alex Vreath and Guy Carson are putting up a building for the watchman at the garnet ledge.

Hans Nelson is off for Petersburg to complete the construction of a boat which was started by Eric Peterson.

The SENTINEL was last week dated Dec. 14, when the date should have been Dec. 17. Such errors do not often occur.

Word comes to change the address of our good friend Prof. Geo. Edson to Petersburg, as he is working near that town at logging.

W. G. Thomas has had the engine removed from the launch Coralie May, in order to ship it to the factory for repairs to the cylinder.

Alert Fire Co. No. 1 has decided to postpone their kangaroo court until the rush of holiday attractions is over. See announcement later.

The remains of Eric Peterson, who died last week at Petersburg, were brought over last Thursday and buried in Red Men's Cemetery.

Don't grumble about poor mail service any more. Reports come from the little town of Katalia that it has been 144 days without mail.

At 94 seconds after 8:33 p. m. Monday, December 21, the solstice occurred, and the corrected time was flashed over the cables to all stations in Alaska.

The old reliable Cottage City, recently recovered from a severe illness at the ship hospital in Seattle, put in her appearance at this port Tuesday night.

In summing up the needs of the First Judicial District the federal grand jury has again failed to mention the horrible condition of the jail and court house at Wrangell.

Mr. Moen has moved his family up to town from Anito Bay to spend the winter. He also brought to market a fine lot of salmon bellies and smoked salmon which he prepared during the summer.

Articles of Incorporation for the Town of Petersburg have been filed at Juneau, and as the town has over and above the requisite number of inhabitants, the incorporation will probably be effected in the near future.

Red Men's

Mask

Ball

Dec. 31

S. L. Hogue, one of the enterprising merchants of Petersburg, was over to Wrangell in his gas boat, Monday, on business. When he called at this office to order a lot of job printing, he said that Petersburg is coming to the front with rapid strides, and will some day be the biggest city of southeastern Alaska. If every town in Alaska had a few men of the same boosting spirit as "Tex" Hogue, it would cause an improvement all along the line.

Supt. W. W. Wilkins of the Marble Creek quarries, came over from Calder with Rev. Wagner, Monday, and is remaining here until the southbound trip of the Cottage City, when he will go to the Sound on business for the company. While in Seattle Mr. Wilkins will hire a number of laborers for the quarry, and bring them up with him. He says that the demand for the product of the quarries has grown to such proportions that it will be necessary to pursue the work to the fullest capacity of the equipment. Shipments of marble are being continually made, and the company has recently received an order for a large amount of marble to be shipped around Cape Horn to New York.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. PHILIP'S

Christmas Eve, 11:00 p. m., Midnight service.
Morning service on Friday (Christmas Day) at 10:30, with Holy Communion.
Children's exercises at 7:30 p. m.

PROGRAM

Chorus by the School, "Shine On, Bright Star."

Prayer.

Trio—Mabel and Grace Wigg and Anna Lewis.

Recitations as follows:

"Santa Claus Has a Cold," Ellery Carlson.

"The Star," James Sha-kana.

"I Have Forgotten My Piece," Margaret Grant.

"If I Were Santa Claus," Alice Kincaid.

Song—"Luther's Cradle Hymn," by Talitha Easley.

Play—"The Return of Christmas."

Cast of Characters:

Mr. Edmund Randolph, Leonard Campbell.

Mrs. Randolph, Marguerite Philor.

Tommy, Carl Carlson.

Mabel, Talitha Easley.

Miss Woodbridge, Anna Lewis.

Grimmins, Wayne Tucker.

Santa Claus, Geo. Klauitz.

Boys' Chorus, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas."

Recitations:

"Scaring Santa Claus," Neal Grant.

"The American Stocking," Herman Easley.

"The Wise Men," Alfred Royalty.

"Wanting Just a Little," Sam Engley.

"If You Are Good," Wm. Lewis.

"Santa Claus' Gifts," Louis Wigg.

"Captain," Ellery Carlson.

Cornet Solo—George Northrup.

Distribution of presents by Santa Claus.

Sunday morning service at 10:30.

Children's service at 7:30 a. m.

Recitations by Grace Wigg, Wm. Taylor and Marie Thomesen.

Song by Talitha Easley.

Lantern views will be given to illustrate the songs.

Christmas music will be repeated.

You are cordially invited to attend these services.

NEW YEARS EVE BALL

The Red Men's big masquerade ball which is scheduled for the night of December 31—New Years Eve—promises to be the most enjoyable event of its kind ever given in this town. The committee having the arrangements in hand have been working early and late for the success of the ball, and the following list of prizes is evidence of the gratifying result of their labors:

F. Matheson, one gentleman's watch set, valued \$7.50.

D. Sinclair, one clock valued \$8.

St. Michael Trading Co., lady's dressing set valued \$8.

Thlinget Trading Co., salad set \$3.50.

L. O. Patenaude, cigar holder, \$5.

Dr. Emery, order for dental work \$10.

Shurick Drug Co., sterling silver sugar shell, \$3.50.

Wrangell Drug Co., shaving mug and brush, \$1.75.

Bruno Greif, lady's hand bag, \$5.

J. G. Grant, lady's dancing slippers, valued \$2.

Jack Norton, gentleman's dancing pumps, \$2.

Sing Lee, lady's toilet set, \$5.

M. Healy, two holders, \$2.

C. Deany, box cigars, \$7.00.

Olympic Restaurant, lady's bracelet, value \$2.50.

C. M. Coulter, ham, \$3.

Geo. Snyder, year's subscription and packet calling cards, \$3.

The above prizes will be awarded as follows, and in the order given:

Most gorgeous lady costume—

Dressing set.

Hand bag.

Most gorgeous gent costume—

Large clock.

Watch fob.

Best sustained lady character—

Sterling sugar shell.

Salad set.

Best sustained gent character—

Box cigars.

Ham.

Best lady waltzer—

Toilet set.

Bracelet.

Best gent waltzer—

Cigar holder.

Dancing pumps.

Most comical lady character—

Dancing slippers.

Holder.

Calling cards.

Most comical gent character—

Shaving mug.

Holder.

Year's subscription to SENTINEL.

Best group—

Order for dental work.

The music will be furnished by the Wrangell orchestra, led by Dr. Schroeder.

Calling cards printed in Engravers' Old English, the latest style of type, \$1 per hundred at this office.

PICTURE FRAMES

We have on hand a limited number of Plain and Elaborate Picture Frames which we desire to close out to make room for new goods. These frames can be used for cabinet or large photographs, and the mouldings are in various designs. Prices on this line of goods will be

CUT IN HALF

If you have a picture to frame, this is your opportunity. But you must come soon if you want to get your choice

You would be Surprised at the Bargains we are Offering
in all Kings of Clothing and Furnishings

THLINGET TRADING CO.

WATCHMAN NECESSARY

Miss Anna Durkee has been here for several days on business connected with the garnet properties at the mouth of the river, and she informed a reporter that the corporation of which she is the general manager intends to develop the garnet properties, but that the preliminary business is necessarily slow. The corporation having been organized under the laws of Minnesota, would be restricted to the mining of garnets and manufacturing them into articles of jewelry. It is therefore the intention to effect reorganization of the corporation under the laws of North Dakota, which will allow the privilege of embracing other opportunities which may arise out of the development of the garnet properties.

Miss Durkee found upon her arrival at Seattle that certain parties in Wrangell have been taking the garnets from the ledge and shipping them in considerable quantities to curio dealers at the Sound city. In order to put a stop to this practice Miss Durkee is having a house built at the properties, and has telegraphed to a gentleman in St. Paul, who is expected here on an early boat to assume the duties of watchman.

WHO WILL GET IT?

Conjecture is rife as to who will draw the capital prize in the approaching sale of the property belonging to the Willson-Sylvester estate. Rumor has it that the sawmill men of Juneau and Ketchikan are determined that the property shall not pass into the control of outside parties, while it is said that Sound parties will bid "to the very last ditch." We are told that one man will bid who is worth a million dollars. As it is certain that there will be several bidders, the property is expected to bring a good price.

Whoever is the lucky one will buy a property than which there is no more lucrative in southeastern Alaska, proportioned with the amount invested, and the people of Wrangell are anxious to see it go to someone who will keep the mill in operation during the entire year.

STARTLING DISCOVERY

Mr. A. P. Webb, a prospector who is making his headquarters at Klawak, accompanied Rev. Wagner to town last Monday, bringing word that Claire Snyder and Ken Talmage are getting along nicely and intend to remain on the west coast until after the holidays. He also brought in some very fine looking specimens of ore from a discovery made by the two boys, which, being assayed, showed up the following values:

Pyrites of stove polish.....\$ 0.01
Bromide of axle grease..... 0.01
Clam shells..... 0.02
Fish worm oil..... 0.01
Common rock..... 0.00
Whetstones..... 0.01

Sergt. M. A. McNurney leaves on the next northbound Jefferson for Fort Wm. H. Seward, whither he goes to "take on," his present term of enlistment having expired. After re-enlistment he will take a three-months' furlough, and make a visit to the states.

L. F. Arthur sent in to the Wrangell mineral cabinet a specimen of ore from the properties of the Northland Development Co., on the west coast. The specimen is a fine chunk of chalcopyrite. The company shipped 400 tons for a test at the Tacoma smelter last week.

The smiling face of Charley Hooker was seen on our streets during the past week.

We are informed that the gale of two weeks ago played havoc at the grave yard, trees having been blown down on some of the graves, and several buildings carried away.

Quite a number of people have taken advantage of our subscription offer, and more are coming every day. However, there is plenty of room on our list for several hundred more.



We Have on Display The Finest Assortment of HOLIDAY GOODS Ever shown in Wrangell

Embraced in this assortment are Appropriate Gifts for Old and Young, including

Dolls and Toys, all kinds
Choicest Perfumeries,
Daintiest Stationery,
Hand-Painted Chinaware

Large assortments of Games
Instructive Dissected Maps
The Purest Confectionery
Finest Toilet Preparations

Have a Look at Our Stock Before Buying
Don't Wait. But "get in on the ground floor"

The Shurick Drug Co.

Send a
Wrangell
Prospectus

Back to
The Folks

Alaska Sentinel

PUBLISHED WEEKLY

Wrangel, Alaska

A sheath stocking? Shocking!

Love at first sight often proves a slight case after the second meeting.

The only thing wrong with money is that there isn't enough of it to go round.

An expert in drawing need not necessarily be an artist—he may be a dentist instead.

You can't judge the brutality of some people by the horsepower of their automobiles.

A Grand Army veteran has married. We hope it will not prove a case of re-enlistment.

Twenty thousand dollars was paid yesterday for a collection of butterflies. Verily riches have wings.

There are few chances of becoming a hero nowadays unless you get into the fire department, or marry a chorus lady.

The four Singer children of Pittsburg divided \$16,000,000 among them the other day. For this quartet life is a song.

A New Jersey court decides that it is not unlawful for a man to swear at his wife. Perhaps not, but many find it dangerous.

The man who prides himself on always saying what he thinks, seldom succeeds in saying anything any one else wants to hear.

Some day, perhaps, science will evolve the perfected automobile tire. Up to date it still lacks several thousand miles of having done so.

You may have observed that an office-seeker is a man who shakes the voter's hand before the election and shakes the voter afterward.

A discharged laborer caused some German contractors to lose \$875,000. As this does not get him another job, it is hard to figure where his joy comes in.

Necessity being the mother of invention, it is likely that the woman who invented the "hookless waist" has a husband who rebelled and "yumped his job."

That's a wise doctor who says that it's the comfortable old shoes, not the tight, new ones, which hurt women's feet. He ought to do a rushing business.

"Asthma and society" drove an old man West to begin life over again among strangers. Of course asthma sometimes demands heroic treatment, but he could have escaped from society by merely disposing of his automobile.

It is said that there is enough coal in Alaska to put off the fuel famine from the exhaustion of coal which had been predicted at the end of the present century. This news will be a great relief to present coal consumers who have been alarmed over what they had to expect in about ninety years.

It was from New York that Horace Greeley advised the young man to "Go West!" The advice now comes from three thousand miles farther eastward, and is addressed by Israel Zangwill to an audience of Jews in London. He told his fellow religionists the other day that they ought to migrate to the Western States of America, where there is room for them.

German interests in Argentina and Brazil are so great that German capitalists have decided it is worth while investing six and a half million dollars in a new telegraph cable connecting the fatherland with South America. The imperial government will protect the investors from loss. This is one of the ways by which the ties between the Germans abroad and those at home are preserved, as well as one of the methods adopted for fostering the expansion of German commerce.

During the current fiscal year, which began with July, the Department of Agriculture will expend fifteen million dollars. When one compares this sum with four million dollars which was spent in 1902, one gets an idea of the rate at which this department is growing. With the possible exception of the Postoffice Department, no other department comes so near to the people, and none touches the ordinary citizen on so many sides. The forestry service, the bureau of animal industry, the testing of foods, the study and prediction of the weather, the development of new plants, the building of roads, the crop reports—these are only a few of the many ways in which this department is helping the people of the whole country. One item of ten thousand dollars to be spent this year may result in the saving of millions. It will be used for testing plants believed to be suitable for paper-making.

The Wall street evils of which the public complains are not in morals, but in economics. If the stock exchange were simply a place where 1,100 brokers matched dollars among themselves the community at large would not be

affected. But what the stock exchange does is to gamble with the capital and resources of the United States, to fix as at present, rates of interest artificially low in order to boom stock prices and at other times to bid interest rates to absurd heights, to the injury of commerce and industry. Its demoralizing effects come from the fluid capital of the United States being used for gambling purposes and taken from legitimate industry. The morals of Wall street, whether by day or night, are matters of little more public interest than the personal habits of book-makers.

Bishop Frank M. Bristol declared at the Rock River Methodist conference in Chicago that the supernumeraries fund is the easiest one to get money for. Undoubtedly this is true, at a gathering of preachers. It is to be hoped that Bishop Bristol's assertion is becoming generally true of the Methodist laity. There are signs that it is. There are reasons for the indifference toward the claims of the worn-out preachers which has been largely complained of, and for the awakening from that indifference which is now becoming manifest. Many laymen have not realized that, while there are in this country as wide opportunities as there ever were for young men, and wider, there is not the chance there once was for men past middle life to attain material success in a new calling. This change comes inevitably when the wilderness is conquered and the land really populated. Then, again, many laymen have had their interest, not in religion, but in the church and its condition, cooled by the attitude of some conspicuous preachers, and their numerous imitators, toward themselves and their business. When the preacher becomes a lecturer, apparently striving to preach everything but the gospel, denying the authority of his office, and asking to be taken simply as a man in his profession, others cannot be blamed for judging him on his individual merits, just as they do men in other professions, and losing respect for the divine calling which the preacher has virtually repudiated. There is an increasing public consciousness of the change in material conditions which makes it almost impossible for a man past middle life who has not achieved reasonable success in his calling to change it for a new one. And there is a growing public awakening to the truth that the Christian ministry, to be worth while, must be not merely a profession chosen like the lawyer's or the engineer's, but a response to a divine call to deliver a message which its bearer cannot know and be silent about. With the purging of the ministry that is slowly but surely going on—with its increasing restriction to men who know they have the message, as evidenced by that very decline of candidates for it so much lamented—there should come a new birth of respect for the real preacher of the gospel—for the man who must and does preach the gospel because he cannot be silent without feeling himself a traitor to himself and to God. And so the claims of the worn-out preacher, whose devotion to his mission and his message has led him to live for his faith, and that alone, through all the years until old age comes and he can do no more, are pressing home to the hearts and souls of men as they never did before.

Reluctant English Courtesy. That gifted publicity man, A. Toxin Worm, made the preposterous claim in London last winter that he would see to it that there was no "booming" of the actors at the opening performance by E. H. Sothern. This popular English diversion consists of bellowing through the hands and no "first night" is supposed to be complete without vocal interruptions.

On the night of Mr. Sothern's first performance some forty-five evil-looking men, bearing blackjacks in their sleeves were distributed throughout the gallery and pit. There was no interruption from the audience that night, but only the occasional dull thud of blackjacks upon knuckles. Every hand that was raised as a preliminary to the "booming" process received a quick blow. Mr. Worm says that he never saw so many limp hands and so many bewildered faces assembled in any one place as he saw that first night among the crowd that left the theater.

At the close of the week that dignified journal, the Times, commented gravely upon the growing courtesy of English audiences toward American actors, and witnessed the case of six productions by Mr. Sothern without a single "boo."—Success Magazine.

Self-Evident. Once when Chauncey Olcott was in Ireland he visited the wishing well at Killarney with two plain, elderly spinners. Beside the well sat an old Irish woman, who looked up into Mr. Olcott's handsome face and asked:

"What do you wish for?"

"What do you think I wish for?" he good naturedly inquired.

"Och, thin, for a beautiful young swateheart, of course," she said.

He pointed to the two spinners, who stood at a little distance, and said:

"Don't you see that I have two with me?"

"Ah, thin it's the grace o' God you're wishin' for," replied the sympathetic old woman.—New York Times.

It is as bad to give a compliment with a "but" attachment, as it is to give a present and grumble about the cost of it.

No doubt economy is a great virtue, but some people have a lot of money they never have any use for.

SCIENCE FINDS the COLDEST COLD



Prof. H. Kammerlingh Onnes of Leyden has succeeded in liquefying helium.

Terrifying in its destructive aspects and appalling in its danger, yet intensely fascinating in its possibilities for benefiting the world, the latest explanation of chemical science has placed mankind literally within but a few degrees of the frozen pole of knowledge.

Heat is life; cold is annihilation. The final and absolute extremes of these are as yet heights so exquisite and depths so profound that they mock at once the lens and the plummet-line of human conception.

For the sake of convenience, however, science has established a purely arbitrary starting point for the measurement of heat and cold. This is called the "absolute zero," and is fixed at 459 degrees below the familiar zero mark of the Fahrenheit thermometer—a point which chemists have vainly sought to reach ever since Prof. Dewar most nearly approached it by his astonishing feat of liquefying air and hydrogen.

But even Dewar's greatest cold was hundreds of degrees from absolute zero. That was some ten years ago. Now comes news from the old town of Leyden in Holland—birthplace of the electric battery—that Prof. H. Kammerlingh Onnes of that city has succeeded in liquefying the rarest and most volatile of all gases. He has reduced helium to a visible fluid, determined its temperature and made the incredible discovery that it is but a fraction over four degrees from supposedly theoretical jumping-off place of Jack Frost.

In order to appreciate the vast significance of Prof. Onnes' achievement, it is only necessary to recall the means by which the air is kept at zero temperature in a cold storage warehouse. As everyone knows, evaporation causes cold. It is the evaporation of the water with which you bathe your face—not the temperature of the water itself—which produces the sensation of coolness.

According as the evaporation is slow or rapid, the cold produced is less or greater. So, in a cold storage plant, ammonia gas, which is extremely volatile, is allowed to evaporate, either directly into the air or it is released in the presence of brine (which freezes only at less than zero temperature) and the brine, taking the temperature of the evaporating ammonia, is then distributed in pipes throughout the establishment. Thus the desired degree of cold is imparted to the storage rooms.

Now fancy, if you can, a cold, compared with which the deadly chill from ammonia gas is hotter than boiling oil; call this the temperature of liquid hydrogen. Then, with this as a new point of departure, try to imagine a cold so profound that beside it liquid hydrogen itself is as a boiling oil, and the frozen heart of an ice plant is hotter than the bowels of a smelting furnace, and you have some conception of the temperature—if it can be called temperature—of liquefied helium.

Dr. H. T. Galpin, a well known authority on refrigeration, a member of the London Society of Chemical Industry, the American Chemical Society and the Society of Electrical Engineers, attempted to explain in non-technical language what the new discovery means to science and humanity.

"The liquefaction of helium," he said, "is of the most startling and far-reaching significance. It opens the door to possibilities of which students of refrigeration have long been aware, but which thus far have been beyond our reach in actual practice. It is apparent, for example, that if we can distribute ammonia chilled brine from

one room of a cold storage warehouse to all the other rooms in it, we should, theoretically, be able to distribute it from a central point of houses, office buildings, theaters and the like, at a distance, as is done with gas and steam.

"But the size and the cost of the plant required, the impossibility of developing a degree of cold which will not be dissipated in transit unless pipes of prohibitive size are employed, has placed the idea in the category of laboratory dreams. Even the use of liquid air or liquid hydrogen would not obviate this last objection. The cost of the production and the distribution would outweigh the benefits.

"Science does not recognize the impossible, however, and if Prof. Onnes has produced a liquid which, forced to distant points through pipes small enough to be strung like telephone wires, is so cold that such distribution cannot materially impair its effectiveness—and this seems to be the case—science has achieved a most revolutionary triumph."

EMPTY HOUSES IN LONDON.

Fifty Thousand of Them at Present Said to Be Lacking Tenants.

Fifty thousand empty houses in London! John Burns made this startling announcement in the house of commons recently, says Tit-Bits. Large as this number is there are those who believe it is under rather than over the mark. A remarkable change has taken place during the past five or six years. Whereas, formerly landlords were masters of the situation, tenants have now the whip hand in nearly every district and are offered all manner of inducements to take houses.

It is not long since that a premium—or, what amounts to the same thing, "key money"—was demanded by property owners in some parts of London. Today numbers of such men will actually allow tenants a discount, which consists in the case of small property of the expenses of removal up to £1, or else of so many weeks' occupation free. Usually no rent is required for the first fortnight, but in certain localities the competition between property owners is so keen that the period in some cases is one month, making the discounts about £2 2s or £2 5s.

A more curious bait is free insurance. One company gratuitously insures each of its tenants against fire; while another, besides safeguarding the householder against this contingency, relieves him of apprehension respecting any damage to his furniture by lightning or flood.

Certain separate charges have also been swept away, particularly in the case of flats, which, it is said, are now a drug in the market. Some landlords, for instance, made one for the cleaning of the common staircase, this, with the "extra" for gas, amounting to about 1s 6d per week. The 1s 6d was really rent, and the reason it was not called such was partly to evade payment of rates. When this is an actual case—a man owned about fifty flats and returned their rent as 1s 6d per week each less than it really was, his assessment was considerably lower than it ought to have been, and consequently he did not pay his due proportion of rates. But, of late "extras" have frequently been cut to "rent" the amount formerly set down as "rent."

REFUSE BURNING BASKET.

Device for Getting Rid of Household Accumulations.

"Oh, my! Whatever shall I do with all this rubbish?" exclaims the housekeeper, beholding a miscellaneous collection of papers, scraps and paste-board boxes, the roundup of the regular weekly cleaning. "The ashman declines to take anything but ashes, the rubbish man picks out only such as he can find use for, and the second-hand man will have nothing but whole papers, and they must be clean, at that." This little monologue may be heard most anywhere. The conditions are about the same in any city of large or medium size. There is a great deal of accumulated material around a house which is quite difficult to dispose of. It might be burned, but an effort to dispose of the mass in an ordinary stove would more than likely lead to disaster, even if the stove is of suitable proportions to accommodate the collection. Most of them are not.

The housekeeper's quandary has led to the invention of a model device to be added to the equipment of the household. It is a refuse destructor, in which the accumulations of the household are to be disposed of by burning in the back yard without danger. The destructor is a basket of wire built on an iron frame, supporting it several inches above the ground. Into this the household accumulations are dumped, as well as the sweepings. A match applied soon reduces the big pile to a handful of dust. Such a device solves completely the problem of the disposal of a great deal of material.

A High Award.

"To you we award the palm."

"Can't you give me something more lofty?" asked the aviator, disdainfully. "I have flown so high that I consider the palm beneath me."—Kansas City Times.

When Eating Causes Colds.

If one who has caught cold will take thought, he will often find that he has prepared himself for the infection by some tax on his physical condition—some extra work which has depressed his bodily powers, some worry which has preyed upon his mind, some loss of sleep, some undue exposure to atmospheric changes, or some dietary indiscretion.

For indiscreet eating is one of the most prolific and yet the least recognized of all the predisposing causes of a cold.

Let the hearty eaters of rich food, who suffer from repeated colds, try a course of abstinence during the coming winter, and they will become convinced of the truth of these remarks. In this case the proof of the pudding is in the not eating of it.—Youth's Companion.

LITTLE MEN AND LITTLE WOMEN

Kitchen Miracles.

In Aunt Amelia's kitchen there are many wonders done. Such miracles are wrought as never seen beneath the sun:

A pumpkin from the garden—just a yellow sphere that lies Beneath her skillful handling ripens quickly into pies;

The corn grows into fritters, you must marvel at the change;

The apples change to dumplings in the glowing kitchen range;

She waves her hands above it, and the milk is cottage cheese.

You merely watch her, and you see such miracles as these.

She finds it easy, quite, to make blueberries into rolls;

And eggs are changed to omelets above the glowing coals;

And sometimes when she's fixing the materials for pies

She turns cider into mince-meat right before your very eyes!

Sometimes she makes a currant roll—you would not think she could—

Or makes a peach turn over, or does something just as good;

But she says quite the hardest task that ever she has found

Is, when she has her boys at tea, to make these things go round!

—Youth's Companion.

The Chewing-Gum Face.

My dear child, before I give you the chewing-gum I will ask your attention for a few moments to a little story. Once upon a time there was a little girl just like you, and she liked chewing-gum so well that she would have gone without dinner to get some of it.

She used to chew gum at school, and at play, and at church, and 'most all of the time. She took her gum to the table with her and stuck it on the under side of her plate, under there where it says Ironstone China. Sometimes when she passed her plate for more mashed potatoes and gravy, if you please, her papa would take hold of the chewing gum that was stuck underneath. And would he then be vexed? Oh, very! And when she went to bed she stuck her gum on the bedpost so that she could find it in the night, and many a whole night long her jaw wagged in her sleep.

Well, she grew up to be a big girl, just as you will grow up; and about the time she started to High School a strange thing happened. The jaw muscles on the sides of her face, here and here, began to swell up. Pretty soon she looked as if she had two baseballs in her mouth, one on each side. The more she chewed her gum the bigger these baseballs got, and she looked so funny that people simply could not love her, no matter how hard they tried. So she went away and joined a dime museum, and the muscles of her jaw are so strong that she bites silver dollars in two for any one who will advance the coin, and she uses lead pipe instead of gum, because it doesn't wear out so fast.

Do you still want the chewing-gum? Yes? And you don't care if you grow up with a chewing-gum face? Not a bit? Well, well! Take the stuff, my willful child, but when you get through with it, don't you leave it where your father will step in it.—Newark Evening News.

Girls that Throw Stones.

It is hardly worth while to tell you that a girl cannot throw a stone like a boy; you have all seen them try it and perhaps have laughed at their efforts, which was wrong, of course, but natural, for it really is a funny sight. But it is likely that you did not attribute their failure to the right cause. You thought, perhaps—that is, you boys thought—that it was merely a girl's awkward attempt to imitate a boy; but in that you were wrong, for it is a physical impossibility for a girl to throw with the free movement of the arm that a boy has, because her collarbone is larger than a boy's, and is set lower. This comes from a physician in a girls' college, who has made a careful study of the matter, impelled thereto, it may be, by the importunity of the girls, who were ambitious to equal or excel the boys in this physical accomplishment, as they have done in many others. In any sport where this free use of the arm and shoulder is not required a girl may excel, but she may as well give up all hope of ever throwing stones the same way as boys do. In spite of all this, we find a girl now and then who can throw almost as far.

A Much-Discussed Question.

Why are the trousers that sailors wear so wide at the bottom? The question has been asked over and over again, and, strange as it may seem, no one not a sailor knows exactly how to answer it. The editor is unable to give the origin of the fashion authoritatively, but he heard a man who is pretty well informed in questions of that kind say it grew out of the old-time custom of cutting out sailors' trousers on shipboard, when the cutter would simply run the shears straight down the cloth, without making any attempt to give the leg shape. This was due partly to haste, partly to indifference to style. Another plausible explanation is the following: Sailors frequently have to row ashore and barefooted step into the water and pull their boat up on the beach. The width of their trousers at the bottom allows them to roll their trousers high to keep them dry.

Church That Is Battling for Progress.

In the early part of the winter we decided that in order to get acquainted with the newcomers we must have a good social aftermeeting in the chapel adjoining the church. This meeting was at first of the most informal character. The ladies served coffee and cake and there was a real mixture of the classes.

One night when we had had a number of these social aftermeetings a working man was asked to give us a five-minute talk. He did so, and before we were prepared for it we were confronted with a new phase—a new necessity. After that it seemed quite natural to ask any one of prominence who happened to be present to speak. Later we asked for questions from those who would not, or could not, make a speech. We then found it necessary to have a prepared program and a chairman. The church services had a gradual increase in attendance, and the after-

The King's Cock Crower.

In the good old time there was a English court official known as the king's cock crower. It seems a strange office. Why did the king require a cock crower, and why could not the common barn door variety serve his majesty's purpose? The reason, as you shall see, was that the barn door variety cannot be depended upon for times and hours, and he has never been persuaded to observe Lent. Now, this was a pious custom and a religious duty. All through Lent the king's cock crower crowed instead of calling the hours of the night in the palace. He began on Ash Wednesday, when he entered the hall in which the king's supper was served, and then crowed the hour in the presence of the royal party. The meaning of the custom is obvious. It was only one of the many ways in which the history of the Christian religion was brought home to the minds of people before the reading of the gospel in the vernacular. The office was continued down to the year 1822.—London Queen.

"The Greatest Widower."

This is said to be the title of a genuine essay evolved some years ago by a boy in a Welsh board school:

"King Henry VIII. was the greatest widower that ever lived. He was born at Anno Domini in the year 1093. He had 510 wives besides children. The first was beheaded and executed. The second was revoked. She never smiled again. But she said the word 'Calais' would be found on her heart after her death. The greatest man in this reign was Lord Sir Garret Wolsey. He was sir named the Boy Bachelor. He was born at the age of 15, unmarried. Henry VIII. was succeeded on the throne by his great-grandmother, the beautiful and accomplished Mary, queen of Scots, sometimes known as the Lady of the Lake."

True, Too True!

"After all," said the optimist, "our neighbors turn out to be better than some of us seem to think them to be."

"Perhaps," replied the pessimist, "but none of them will ever turn out to be as good as most of us seem to think they ought to be."—Philadelphia Press.

Second Best.

Young Isaacs—Fadder, ees marriage a failure?

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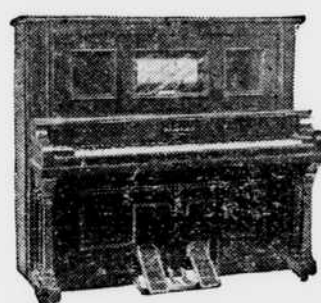
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Hon. Lyman J. Gage, ex-Secretary of the Treasury is a business college graduate who began his career as a bookkeeper. He says of business colleges that they "are technical schools and approximate life much closer than universities, training a youth so that he may step directly from school into a paying position." Their growing recognition is one of the most hopeful signs of the times." Mr. Judson P. Wilson is the founder of the pioneer business school of the Pacific Northwest. Mr. Wilson, speaking of the struggle for success in commercial life, and how important it is that a young man or woman should be fully equipped for the struggle, said: "The best equipment—in fact, the only one that can be depended upon absolutely, is the right kind of an education." Mr. Wilson's institution, Wilson's Modern Business College, Seattle, has issued a handsome booklet interestingly telling of the growth of the school, and its methods. The book is sent free to any young man or woman interested in a business training.

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You will put some shoe on my family like this, and send by Sam Jameson, the carrier: One man, Jean St. Jean (me), forty-two years; one woman, Sophie St. Jean (she), forty-one years; Hermelinde and Leonore, nineteen years; Honore, eighteen years; Celine, seventeen years; Narcisse, Octavia and Phyllis, sixteen years; Olivia, fourteen years; Philippi, thirteen years; Alexandre, twelve years; Rosina, eleven years; Bruno, ten years; Pierre, nine years; Eugene, we loss him; Edouard and Eliza, seven years; Adrien, six years; Camille, five years; Zoel, four years; Joseph, three years; Moise, two years; Muriel, one year; Hillaire, he is barefoot. How much?

Cherry History.

It is still asserted in school books that cherries were introduced to England by the "fruteller" or green grocer of Henry VIII.; also, that they were not common for a hundred years after that time. This is an error. Mr. Thomas Wright found the name in every one of the Anglo-Saxon vocabularies which he edited. So common were they and so highly esteemed that the time for gathering them became a recognized festival—"cherry fair" or "feast." And this grew into a proverbial expression for fleeting joys. Gower says the friars taught that "life is but a cheryefayre," and Hope "endureth but a throwe, right as it were a cheryefeste." There is more than one record of the purchase of trees for the king's garden at Westminster centuries before Henry VIII. was born. But Pliny contradicted the fable, as if in prophetic mood. After telling that Lucullus first brought cherries to Rome (from Pontus, in 680 A. U. C.), he adds that in the course of 120 years they have spread widely, "even passing over sea to Britain."—Cornhill Magazine.

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Miss Peck began her mountain climbing in 1895, when she scaled the Matterhorn. She ascended Mount Sorata, in Bolivia, reaching a height of 20,500 feet. Huascaran, or Huascarn, towers above a notable group of volcanic summits in the south of Peru to the westward of the great plateau in which Lake Titicaca lies.

Miss Peck has surmounted almost impossible obstacles, chief among them the lack of means. Miss Peck was at one time professor in a Western college, but for many years she has been occupied as a lecturer and has climbed many mountains for the purpose of obtaining material for her lectures. It has been her ambition to climb Huascaran, reputed the highest mountain in the world, which all the climbers of the world had failed to ascend. She has had the greatest difficulty in raising funds for her trips, but she has persisted in the face of constant discouragement and has started on her mission each time with barely enough money to take her through her schedule, with no allowance for accident and with but scanty equipment. Scientifically her equipment has always been of the best and no doubt she will bring back some valuable observations. Her past two trips have been made with native guides who proved almost worse than useless. This time she had with her two Swiss guides and it is doubtless to their experience and hardiness that she owes her success.—Utica Globe.

MAY FIRES.

Ancient Scotch Custom Which Involved Human Sacrifice.

Sir John Sinclair's "Statistical Account of Scotland" contains notices of many old customs, which still continued to be observed in the Highlands, though they were even then fast dying out. From the eleventh volume of that great work, which was published in 1791 and the succeeding years, we learn, on the authority of the minister of Callender, Perthshire, that the boys of the township assembled in a body upon the moors on May day and proceeded to dig a circular trench, leaving the soil in the center undisturbed, so as to form a low table of green turf sufficient in size to accommodate the whole party.

They lighted a fire and prepared a custard of milk and eggs and a large oatmeal cake, which they baked upon a stone placed in the embers. When they had eaten the custard, they divided the cake into as many equal portions as there were persons in the assembly and daubed one of those pieces with charcoal until it was perfectly black. They then placed all the pieces of the cake together in a bonnet, and each in turn drew one blindfolded, the holder of the bonnet being entitled to the last piece. The boy who drew the blackened portion was destined to be sacrificed and was compelled to leap three times through the flames.

Although the ceremony had degenerated into a mere pastime for boys, it is evident that it must once upon a time have involved the actual sacrifice of a human being in order to render the coming summer fruitful.—Gentleman's Magazine.

She Hated Garrick.

Mrs. Clive was eminent as an actress on the London stage before Garrick appeared, and as his blaze of excellence threw all others into comparative insignificance she never forgave him and took every opportunity of venting her spleen. She was coarse, rude and violent in her temper and spared nobody.

One night as Garrick was performing "King Lear" she stood behind the scenes to observe him and, in spite of the roughness of her nature, was so deeply affected that she sobbed one minute and abused him the next, and at length, overcome by his pathetic touches, she hurried from the place with the following extraordinary tribute to the universality of his powers: "Hang him! I believe he could act a gridiron."—T. P.'s Weekly.

Same Thing.

"Miss Bloomer seems to keep her youth still," remarked Miss Goode. "Well," replied Miss Chellus, "she keeps her age quiet."—Philadelphia Press.

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Simultaneous Conversion.

The late Bishop Fowler of the Methodist Church is credited with the following "yarn." His text was that sincere creeds, no matter how diverse, should bind Christians together. The Washington Star quotes him as follows:

John Smith was a Presbyterian. Hannah Jones was a Baptist. They hesitated about marrying because they feared that in later life, when the little ones came, religious disputes might arise. Thus the years passed. Neither would renounce their church. John Smith grew bald, and Hannah Jones developed lines about her mouth and eyes. It was a complete deadlock, the world said.

Then John was sent abroad for a year by his firm to buy fancy goods. He and Hannah corresponded regularly. Toward the year's end, by a remarkable coincidence, each received from the other a letter, the two letters crossing in the mails. They said:

"Friend John—The obstacles that stood in the way of our marriage have at last been removed. This day I was received in full membership in the Presbyterian Church. Hannah."

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Fatalities.

"Yes," said the beauteous young thing, "when I asked papa if I might go mountain climbing he took my head off. But I had my own way, of course, and finally the crowd got started, and you know they made me put on a lot of wraps and things that simply suffocated me. And about halfway up I slipped and fell over a cliff and broke my neck! Indeed, yes. And when they had lifted and pulled me back on the trail I absolutely died from pain. But before long I was able to go on to the top, but by the time we were almost there I collapsed and sat down, for I could never breathe again. But they made me pull myself together and in time we got to the summit, and there it was so cold I froze to death! Oo-oo! And I was glad, I can tell you, when we came down at last, and as soon as they got me home I went to bed, dead from exhaustion."—Independent.

The stretching of the waist indicates an increase in food bought and money to buy. Forty-inch girths are not the rule in lean and scanty times. It must be that we are living better, and possibly higher. If we are getting fatter we are becoming more contented, for who ever saw a fat man surly? Temperament changes according to the menu card, and it now remains for some psychopath to trace the evolution of national temperament.

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In all of southeastern Alaska we know of no more suitable place for the establishment of an asylum or hospital than Farm Island, at the mouth of the Stikine River, about eight miles from Wrangell. There is abundant tillable ground for gardening, and, the soil having been deposited by the river, it is of a rich, loamy nature, unsurpassed in any section of Alaska. Wild grasses grow to a height of six or eight feet, and if the proper hay were grown and placed in silos, a good sized herd of cows could easily be kept. Therefore plenty of good fresh milk and cream would always be assured.

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This matter is one which should be the earnest consideration of the local Chamber of Commerce, as with the asylum built at Farm Island, it will mean a good many thousands of dollars to the business men of this town.

As an illustration of the benefits to be derived from public institutions, let us cite Salem, Oregon. A city of 15,000 is supported almost wholly by the state institutions in and near the city. Over three hundred physicians and attendants are employed at the asylum alone, and a large number of these own property in the city, besides having their own families. The Salem postoffice has gone up into the first

class and the government has put up an elegant stone postoffice at a cost of \$69,000. The city's streets are paved, and Salem has hourly electric car service to Portland. It is a well known fact that the state institutions have virtually built the city of Salem.

There is no reason why Wrangell should not receive the benefits incidental to a large public institution, and it is up to every resident to boost for the asylum. Let's not wait till "lightning strikes," but get busy now.

The interest recently displayed by the Interior Department in the matter of attempting to improve the condition of the Alaskan Indians is almost certain to result in the erection and equipment of a hospital at some point in this part of Alaska, in conformity with the recommendations of Prof. Harlan Updegraff. Wrangell's business men should bend every effort to have that hospital established here or near here. No town in Alaska is so favorably located.

The matter of placing a warning of some kind upon that rock which lies in the harbor entrance is being broached again, and well may it be. Several boats have received damages by striking that rock, and it is high time it were marked. If the government lighthouse tender can not be prevailed upon to mark that rock, the local Chamber of Commerce should do it. The cost of placing a spindle on the rock should not exceed \$20.

Mr. Matheson has been in correspondence with the big steamship companies for some time with a view to having the tourist steamers remain at Wrangell long enough to give the tourists an opportunity to visit Leconte Glacier. This is one of the finest scenic attractions of this section of Alaska, and we sincerely hope that success may crown Mr. Matheson's efforts.

It is to be regretted that the purloining of garnets from the ledge near town has made it necessary to place a watchman at the properties in order to prevent further depredations. Removing those garnets without the permission of the owners is just as much a crime as robbing sluice boxes in a placer camp, while the profits are infinitely smaller.

SENTINEL has been talking loud and long on the subject of a pulp mill for this section, and now we are informed that one is to be put in at Tonka as the result of efforts put forth by the business men of Petersburg. Demonstrating what may be accomplished by concerted action.

S. L. Hogue, one of Petersburg's hustling business men, says that the reason three corpses have recently been shipped from that town to Wrangell for burial, is that "we don't want dead people at Petersburg, but we've got all kinds of room for live ones."

It is said that Governor Hoggatt will make a strenuous effort to secure the abolition of the Tongass Forest Reserve, which embraces the Alexander Archipelago. If he succeeds, he will call forth the eternal gratitude of the people for having riden this section of a most gigantic farce.

With the sawmill out of the hands of the court and owned by private parties who will operate it for at least ten months of the year, the loggers, mill hands and business men may look forward to better times in and around town.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the United States Commissioner's Court, Wrangell Precinct, First Division, District of Alaska, in Probate.
In the matter of the estate of Eric Peterson, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that I, John Thormodsater, of the town of Petersburg, District of Alaska, have been duly appointed Administrator of the above-named estate; that letters of administration were granted to me on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1908.
All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same to said administrator at Petersburg, Alaska, or to the United States Commissioner at Wrangell, First Division, District of Alaska, with proper vouchers therefor, within six months from the date of this notice.
Dated at Wrangell, Alaska, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1908.
JOHN THORMODSATER, Administrator aforesaid.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern that I have been appointed by the United States Commissioner and Probate Judge of Wrangell Precinct, Division No. 1, District of Alaska, administrator of the estate of Ole Todal, deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate will present them, duly verified, to me at Petersburg, Alaska, within six (6) months from this date.
Dated December 2, 1908.
JOHN THORMODSATER, Administrator.
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